

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA  
TAMPA DIVISION

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CASE NO. 8:03-cr-77-T-30TBM DATE May 7, 2003

TITLE USA v. Sami Al-Arian, Sameeh Hammoudeh, Hassan Ballut, Hatim Fariz

TIME 10:08-11:15; 11:37-12:00 TAPE: 71/261-2818; 71/3486-72/583

Honorable Thomas B. McCoun III Deputy Clerk: Sonya Cohn

Court Reporter: NA Interpreter: \_\_\_\_\_

Attorney(s) for Govt: Terry Furr & Terry Zitek Attorney(s) for Defendant(s):  
Don Horrox, Daniel Hernandez, and Bruce  
Howie.  
Jeff Brown, Frank Louderback, & Pat Doherty (phone)

PROCEEDINGS: Discovery Conference

Defendants not required to be present, although Mr. Fariz is present. Counsel for Mr. Al Arian announces that he wishes to represent himself and that he does not waive speedy trial. Court advises to file motion regarding counsel. Court addresses the exchange of discovery; when, where, how, etc. Government will have a room ready in the annex by Monday (May 12th) for counsel to begin reviewing discovery. Government is duplicating cassette tapes containing intercepted conversations referenced in Indictment. Copies will be turned over to defense counsel c/o Mr. Horrox by next week. S.A. Myers, F.B.I. will arrange to have separate copy made and mailed to Mr. Al Arian and Mr. Hammoudah at FCC Coleman. Other tangible items on Gov't's indexes will be made available to defense counsel for review, copying, etc. as they request. Still no interpreters so, initially, financial records will be made available. The reels and CD's containing FISA intercepts contain both classified and de-classified conversations. Prosecutors are seeking to have all conversations de-classified to facilitate discovery. If F.B.I. declines to do this, background checks need to be conducted on attorneys, interpreters, paralegals, etc. Gov't suggests that this be done anyway. Alternative would be to set a deadline for the Gov't to decide whether to de-classify all. Records from Israel are mostly in Hebrew. Court advises that a motion by one defense counsel needs to be made to unseal warrant matters before Judge Pizzo.

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